

Coburn Amendment No. 50 (to H.R. 2, as amended), to restore fiscal discipline by making the Medicaid and SCHIP programs more accountable and efficient. **Page S987**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, January 29, 2009. **Page S1005**

Printing of Communication—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that a communication to Senator Byrd from the Office of Compliance related to USERRA regulations be printed in the Record.

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Christina Duckworth Romer, of California, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers.

(Prior to this action, Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration.)

Dennis Cutler Blair, of Pennsylvania, to be Director of National Intelligence.

James Braidly Steinberg, of Texas, to be Deputy Secretary of State.

(Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

Jacob J. Lew, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of State for Management and Resources.

(Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

Robert L. Nabors II, of New Jersey, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

(Prior to this action, Committee on Budget and Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs were discharged from further consideration.)

27 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

42 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy. **Pages S1001–04, S1005–06**

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—23) **Pages S954–55, S960, S969, S985, S986**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:32 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 29, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S1005.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

HOUSING AND FINANCIAL CRISIS

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine federal response to the housing and financial crisis, after receiving testimony from Douglas W. Elmendorf, Director, Congressional Budget Office.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: On Tuesday, January 27, 2009, committee ordered favorably reported an original bill entitled, "The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act".

GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine global climate change, after receiving testimony from Former Vice President Al Gore, Nashville, Tennessee.

MUMBAI TERRORIST ATTACKS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine lessons from the Mumbai, India, terrorist attacks, after receiving testimony from Brian Michael Jenkins, RAND Corporation, Santa Monica, California; Ashley J. Tellis, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, D.C.; and Alan Orlob, Marriott International Lodging, Bethesda, Maryland, and Michael L. Norton, Tishman Speyer, New York, New York, both on behalf of the Real Estate Roundtable.

ECONOMIC CRISIS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine impact of the economic crisis on the United States Postal Service, after receiving testimony from John E. Potter, Postmaster General and Chief Executive Officer, United States Postal Service; Dan G. Blair, Chairman, Postal Regulatory Commission; and Phillip Herr, Director, Physical Infrastructure, Government Accountability Office.